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I received your letter, and thank you for your kind attention to my requests but as it has pleased my Best Friend to alter for the present my temporal circumstances I cannot now send Florence from home to any school. - God you know, dear brother, sometimes takes the "weak things of this world to confound the wise" and I believe He has shewn me, a full and blessed view of what is wanting in Christendom - A new ministry, who should preach a crucified Redeemer out of their hearts, not out of their heads freed from all the present machinery which encumbers the church! The doctrine of the atonement the preaching of the cross ^{is} the main pillar of our salvation; the foundation and only foundation of all effectual good works - The evangelists, must be children of trial - crucified to all the world esteems - with an eye single to the Lord bruised, and battered by the world's scorn, and hatred "unknown and yet well known" in whom men can see "no comeliness" contented to be nothing, never so happy - as when they are all lost in God - May my Saviour raise up and send out such precious souls - — Caroline would like for you to send your letters by Brother Reed or some private hand the fair will be the first Wednesday in May I leave befriending - Keep united ye dear Antislavery brethren It is God's will - Sacrifice your private feelings and never Oh! never sacrifice the interests of the poor slave, on the altar of religious schism - Your union is strength - Oh! if they cast out devils forbid them not because they "follow not with us" Your communications are perfectly safe with us - The Lord and Master bless and sanctify you Sophia L. Little